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selected from the group consisting of macrophage colony-stimulating factor, osteoclast forming factor, tumor necrosis factor, interleukin-1, interleukin-3, interleukin-6, interleukin-11, interleukin-15, interleukin-17, prostaglandins, parathyroid hormone, parathyroid hormone-related peptide, granulocyte macrophage colony-stimulating factor, active vitamin D and its derivatives.

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### REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is requested to change all multiple dependency claims to single dependency claims to reduce the initial filing fee. No new matter has been added. Entry of this amendment is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**MARKED-UP VERSION TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 5 as follows:

5. (Amended) The method for inhibiting bone resorption as described in claim 3 [or 4] wherein said co-culture comprises an inducing factor of osteoclast formation and/or bone resorption in the co-culture medium.

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